


# Georgia Basin Ecosystems Initiative Coast Salish/Stó:lô Nation Environmental Inventory

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## **Abstract**

From leachate, heavy metals, to the loss of traditional use areas, this environmental inventory has uncovered substantially warranted enough evidence for its continuation within Sto:Lo Territory. Through investigation, reports, the gathering of water and soil samples, the discovery of abnormal materials are being revealed throughout the Reserves and are posing health risks to the people and environment. The goals of this project are to establish an inventory database identifying these problems within Sto:Lo Territory then undertaking the perplexity of distribution through a task force implemented by the proper inter-agencies to extricate these issues. This project also gives the communities a conduit in which to bring forth any undiscovered materials or areas for identification. This project was initiated in March 2001 in conjunction with the Georgia Basin Ecosystems Initiative, Environment Canada, Coast Salish Sea Initiative and the Sto:Lo Nation. This ongoing project will continue the assemblage of anomalies including the mistreatment of herbicide, pesticide, agricultural practices and locating the sources of contaminates. The GEBI/Coast Salish/Sto:Lo Nation Inventory Project is situated in Chilliwack BC and the project covers Yale to Kwantlen First Nation Langley.